

AIUM Sound Waves



Newsletter of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine

Letter to Members

AIUM Corporate Employee Membership

I would like to announce that for the first time the AIUM is offering a special membership arrangement for companies that sponsor their employees' AIUM memberships. The AIUM commends the leaders at Philips Medical Systems who have worked with the AIUM to develop this new membership arrangement. Philips Medical Systems has



President
Alfred B. Kurtz, MD

provided AIUM memberships for its general imaging clinical ultrasound staff as a new company benefit, and we welcome those individuals to the AIUM community. Philips Medical Systems leads the way by becoming the first company to officially provide AIUM membership for its employees. By doing so, Philips Medical Systems has demonstrated its strong commitment to enhancing the professional development of its ultrasound employees.

Ultrasound Awareness Month

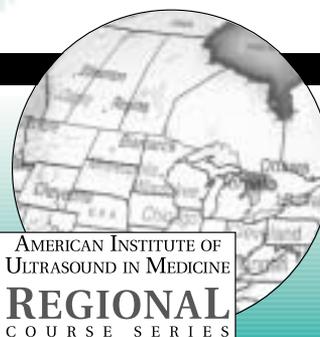
With the fall season upon us, I want to remind ultrasound professionals everywhere that October has been designated as Ultrasound Awareness Month. This special month was initiated in 2000 by the AIUM with the goal of familiarizing and educating the public about ultrasonography. Please take this time to inform your patients of the importance of diagnostic ultrasound in health care as well as to promote the profession of ultrasonography.

You can spread the message that "Ultrasonography is Safe, Sound

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Practical Aspects of Vascular Sonography: Optimize Your Skills

Swissôtel Chicago
Chicago, IL
October 5-6, 2002



Practical Aspects of Vascular Sonography: Optimize Your Skills provides a condensed, but complete overview of state-of-the-art vascular ultrasound imaging. The most valuable aspect of the course is the speakers. All are top notch and among the best known in the field. They give lectures that are based not only on the literature, but come from extensive personal experience.

—Edward Grant, MD
Course Director

Fall is just around the corner, and so is the AIUM's course on vascular sonography. Make your plans to attend now. You don't want to miss this informative and practical course on vascular ultrasound. The last regional course sold out early, and we had to turn people away; don't let this happen to you.

Practical Aspects of Vascular Sonography: Optimize Your Skills will be directed by Edward Grant, MD, and will provide a comprehensive overview of all pertinent areas in noninvasive vascular imaging.

Topics will range from the basic concepts of Doppler and optimization of techniques through advanced areas of vascular scanning. Lectures will be provided by experts in both peripheral vascular and abdominal sonography. Participants are eligible to earn up to

13.5 AMA PRA category 1 continuing medical education (CME) credits.

To obtain a complete list of topics and faculty for this course, visit <www.aium.org>. For your convenience, online registration is available. For information on AIUM vascular education products, see page 4.

Learn More About AIUM Membership and Apply Online at www.aium.org

Do you know of someone who is considering becoming a member of the AIUM? If so, refer them to the AIUM website at <www.aium.org>. It will tell them everything they need to know about AIUM membership, including categories of membership, information about international membership grants, and detailed descriptions of the many benefits that will be



offered to them as an AIUM member. As an added convenience, those interested in membership have the option of applying online, downloading a membership application in a portable document file (PDF), or contacting the AIUM to have an application mailed to them.

If you have any questions about AIUM membership, contact member services at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352 or at <membership@aium.org>.

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Imaging” by taking part in ultrasound awareness activities at your facility or hospital. If you want to participate in Ultrasound Awareness Month but need help getting started, call the AIUM at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352 to request a free ultrasound awareness information kit.

Regional Courses

I am happy to report that our breast ultrasound course held in August in New York City was a great success. This much-sought-after course was sold out. In October, the AIUM will hold its next regional course, *Practical Aspects of Vascular Sonography: Optimize Your Skills*, in Chicago, Illinois, on October 5–6. This course is sure to be valuable as well, providing you with the latest information and covering all aspects of vascular sonography. Register now, while space is still available.

Another one of our fine regional courses, *Current Trends in Ob/Gyn Ultrasound*, is scheduled for February 15–16, 2003, in New Orleans, Louisiana. We have lined up some of the most knowledgeable leaders in the field as faculty for this course, making it one you will not want to miss. You might even want to extend your stay to enjoy the historical and cultural richness of New Orleans.

AIUM members receive a significantly reduced registration fee for all of our educational courses and conventions. The convenience of online registration is now available for these courses. Simply go to the AIUM website at <www.aium.org> and click on the course in which you are interested.

Ultrasound for Entertainment

In light of recent discussions on the AIUM listserv regarding the use of ultrasound for entertainment purposes, I felt the need to reaffirm the AIUM's advocacy for the appropriate use of ultrasound not only to members of the listserv but also to all our AIUM members.

As most of you are aware, the AIUM's position on the use of diagnostic ultra-

sound is expressed in its “Prudent Use” official statement, approved in May 1999 (http://www.aium.org/consumer/state-ment_selected.asp?statement=2), which states the following:

“The AIUM advocates the responsible use of diagnostic ultrasound. The AIUM strongly discourages the nonmedical use of ultrasound for psychosocial or entertainment purposes. The use of either two-dimensional (2D) or three-dimensional (3D) ultrasound to only view the fetus, obtain a picture of the fetus, or determine the fetal gender without a medical indication is inappropriate and contrary to responsible medical practice. Although there are no confirmed biological effects on patients caused by exposures from present diagnostic ultrasound instruments, the possibility exists that such biological effects may be identified in the future. Thus ultrasound should be used in a prudent manner to provide medical benefit to the patient.”

We take 3 steps when the AIUM receives information that a practice or company is promoting the use of ultrasound for nondiagnostic or entertainment purposes. First, we verify the complaint, usually by checking the practice's website. Second, we notify the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Third, we write to the practice or company, informing them that we have reported them to the FDA.

I encourage AIUM members to continue their vigilance. You can e-mail Paula Woletz, RDMS, RDCS, MPH, at the AIUM (pwoletz@aium.org) or fax copies of advertisements and other information to her attention at 301-498-4450. You can also contact the FDA directly by calling or faxing:

Mr. Bill Maloney
Diagnostic Devices Branch
Division of Enforcement I
Office of Compliance
Phone: 301-594-4591; Fax: 301-594-4636

Furthermore, when you think that a particular company is promoting the nonmedical use of ultrasound, you may want to contact that company directly.

For those of you who face pressure from patients requesting appointments solely to obtain “keepsake” images, I recommend that you share the AIUM's “Prudent Use” statement with them. Please explain that we, as responsible professionals, can only perform an ultrasound examination when clinically indicated. I want to thank you all for promoting the responsible use of ultrasound.

Consensus Conferences

The AIUM will be participating in 2 consensus conferences in October. The first, on October 13, will be held in Washington DC. It is sponsored by the Breast Ultrasound Foundation, an affiliate of the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS), on the education, training, and credentialing of breast sonographers. Gary Whitman, MD, will be the AIUM's official representative, and Paula Woletz, RDMS, RDCS, MPH, the AIUM director of accreditation, will also be in attendance.

The other consensus conference, Doppler Diagnosis of Carotid Stenosis, is being sponsored by the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound (SRU) on October 22 and 23 in San Francisco, California. Several of our members, who are also members of other societies, have been invited to participate as expert panelists.

Credentialing Requirements

The AIUM has learned that the Medicare carrier in the states of Indiana and Kentucky has deleted the credentialing/accreditation requirement for noninvasive vascular studies. Previously only those practices that were accredited and had credentialed personnel received reimbursement for noninvasive vascular studies. The decision to delete this requirement reverses a trend in many other states where studies can be performed only in accredited practices and by credentialed personnel. The AIUM is working closely with the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Vascular Laboratories (ICAVL), Society for Vascular Ultrasound (SVU), ARDMS, American College of Radiology (ACR), Society of Diagnostic

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Medical Sonography (SDMS), and others to support reinstating the credentialing/accreditation requirement.

2003 AIUM-Hosted WFUMB Meeting

As most of you know, the AIUM will be hosting the 10th Congress of the World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (WFUMB) on June 1–4, 2003, in Montréal, Canada. Online abstract submission began on July 1 and will continue through November 5. As the deadline for submission draws closer, I encourage you to submit your scientific paper, exhibit, or case report as soon as possible for this world ultrasound event. As a multidisciplinary organization, the AIUM does accept papers that have been submitted at other events. Keep in mind that you will receive \$100 off the 4-day registration fee if your abstract is accepted.

For the latest news information on the WFUMB/AIUM 2003 Congress, nonmembers should sign up to be on our mailing list by sending their postal and e-mail address to <2003wfumb@aium.org> or fax to 301-498-4450.

In closing, I want to remind you that you can contact me at any time at 215-955-6343 or by email at <alfred.kurtz@mail.tju.edu> to discuss issues of the AIUM and the ultrasound community. You can also contact Carmine M. Valente, PhD, CAE, chief executive officer, at the AIUM executive office at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352 or <cvalente@aium.org>.

Sincerely,



Alfred B. Kurtz, MD
President



Spread the Word— Ultrasonography Is Safe, Sound Imaging

Celebrate Ultrasound Awareness Month This October

October is Ultrasound Awareness Month (UAM), and it will be here before you know it. What are you doing to promote ultrasound awareness in your community?

In October, ultrasound professionals worldwide will celebrate UAM. This special month is the perfect opportunity to educate your patients about ultrasonography, as well as show your pride in the profession of ultrasonography.

There are many activities to promote ultrasound awareness to your patients. Here are just a few:

- ◆ Many patients are unaware of exactly how and why ultrasound is used. An educated patient is a more relaxed and comfortable patient. Supply your patients with the facts they need to know about ultrasound before their examination.
 - Give them an ultrasound fact sheet (available in the AIUM's free UAM information kit)
 - Supply them with a "What You Should Know About Your Ultrasound Examination" patient pamphlet.
- ◆ Spark your patients' interest—wear an ultrasound awareness lapel pin or hang a UAM banner—and then explain to them that October is UAM.
- ◆ Post educational flyers or posters at your facility and other local health care organizations.
- ◆ Offer a tour of your facility's ultrasound department to patients or students. Discuss how ultrasound works and how it is used to diagnose a variety of medical conditions.

- ◆ Set up an exhibit area with ultrasound-related items and information in your facility's main entrance area. A potential exhibit could describe ultrasound history and advancements or simply explain how ultrasound is used.
- ◆ Hand out free ultrasound awareness promotional items (e.g., stickers or pencils). When doing so, let patients know that October is UAM and that ultrasonography is an important part of health care.

Designate October as a time to show your appreciation to your ultrasound staff.

- ◆ Recognize them with certificates of thanks or special merit.
- ◆ Hold a UAM staff luncheon.
- ◆ Present them with ultrasound awareness products, such as t-shirts or pins.
- ◆ Nominate a staff member as "Employee of the Month."
- ◆ Present employees with those ultrasound educational materials they have always wanted—give them a book or video or send them to a CME course.
- ◆ Support their commitment to ultrasound by providing a membership to the AIUM.

The AIUM encourages ultrasound professionals everywhere to celebrate UAM and promote ultrasonography in their community.

If you want to participate in UAM but need some ideas on how to do so, request a free ultrasound awareness information kit by contacting Stacey Wagner, public relations coordinator, at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352 or via e-mail at <swagner@aium.org>.

UAM Specialty Items Available

To order your UAM promotional products such as t-shirts, lapel pins, banners, pens, etc., visit the AIUM website at <www.aium.org> or call to request a UAM product brochure at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352.

Interested in Vascular Ultrasound?

The AIUM has several publications and video programs especially geared toward the ultrasound professional interested in vascular ultrasound. Topics covered in these products include vascular ultrasound of the hemodialysis access, vascular complications of transplants, color duplex imaging, and more.

Need a Guide for Using CDI to Diagnose Stenosis?

The AIUM technical bulletin, *Color Duplex Imaging for Graft Surveillance of the Autologous Vein Graft*, focuses on serial color duplex imaging (CDI), which incorporates color information on real-time B-mode imaging, and pulsed and color Doppler, and is a sensitive method to diagnose vein graft stenosis and to predict which graft is at high risk for failure. With both color and black-and-white figures, this practical guide, first published in the December 1998 issue of the *Journal of Ultrasound in Medicine*, describes this



diagnostic method that allows for appreciation of early flow disturbances associated with significant diameter reduction, based on both peak systolic velocity and velocity ratio.

Product # TECH3

\$5 members \$9 nonmembers

Do Your Patients Have Questions About Their Ultrasound?



The AIUM's easy-to-understand patient pamphlet on Doppler answers questions frequently asked by patients about their ultrasound examination. This pamphlet is a perfect tie-in to Ultrasound Awareness Month in October. It is available for purchase as a single pamphlet or in bulk orders of 100. Other patient pamphlet topics include abdomen, safety, prostate, breast, gynecology, and obstetrics.

Doppler Patient Pamphlets

Product # DD1 (single pamphlets)

Product # DD2 (bulk orders)

members	nonmembers
75¢ each	\$1.50 each
\$55/100 bulk	\$120/100 bulk

Looking for Vascular CME Credits?

Studio taped at the AIUM Annual Convention in Orlando, Florida, *2001 Vascular Ultrasound Update: Meet-the-Professors* video or CD-ROM program will give you and your colleagues a better understanding of the use of Doppler in the kidneys, as well as normal anatomy and special characteristics of renal vessels. Viewers will also be able to discuss and describe vascular ultrasound of hemodialysis access grafts and arteriovenous fistulae, as well as vascular complications of liver, pancreatic, and renal transplants. Five viewers can earn up to 3 CME credits at no extra cost.



Product # 01VUU (Videotape)
Product # 01VUUCD (CD-ROM)
\$160 members
\$320 nonmembers
(PAL video format, add \$60)

Vascular Tutorial Available Only Through December 31

Vascular Tutorial, a video program taped at the 1998 AIUM preconvention course, presents current information on vascular ultrasound. Topics include extracranial carotid artery, upper and lower extremity venous evaluations, and aorta and major abdominal blood vessels. Five viewers can earn up to 4 CME credits at no additional charge. CME credits available only through December 31, 2002. Buy now and save!

Product # 98VUT (Videotape)
~~**\$325 members \$645 nonmembers**~~
\$175 members \$350 nonmembers
(PAL format, add \$40)



Keep in mind that these AIUM videos allow you and up to 4 additional viewers to earn CME credits at no additional charge.

Look for more vascular-related products and courses from the AIUM next year. Don't forget about AIUM's cardio/vascular listserv where you can interact with colleagues from all over the world and trade ideas, post questions, and share research.

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\$40.01-\$100.00	\$8
\$100.01-\$200.00	\$12
\$200.01-\$300.00	\$16
Over \$300.00	\$20

Please allow 2-4 weeks for delivery. International orders may take longer. Prices subject to change

2003 WFUMB/AIUM Congress— Preliminary Schedule-at-a-Glance

As you know, the AIUM will be hosting the World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (WFUMB) Congress, June 1–4, 2003. This world ultrasound event, to be held at the Palais de Congrès de Montréal convention center, Montréal, Canada, will offer 18 different ultrasound specialty tracks. Attendees can choose from comprehensive symposia, scientific sessions highlighting the latest research, and small-group setting Meet-the-Professor sessions.

Take a look at the preliminary schedule for this grand event in ultrasound education and make your plans to attend today.

PRECONGRESS PROGRAM

CONGRESS PROGRAM

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2003

8:00 am–5:00 pm

The Developing Fetus: First and Second Trimester—
World Federation of
Sonographers

8:00 am–5:00 pm

Journée Francophone
d'Echographie

8:00 am–5:00 pm

Abdominal and Doppler
Ultrasound

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2003

8:00 am–5:00 pm

The Developing Fetus: First
and Second Trimester—
World Federation of
Sonographers

1:00 pm–2:30 pm

Awards Ceremony

3:00 pm–5:00 pm

Opening Session—Key note
speaker is Dr. Tim Johnson,
one of the United States'
leading medical communica-
tors of health care information.
Music by Malaika.

5:00 pm

Opening Reception

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2003

7:00 am–8:00 am

Meet-the-Professor Sessions

8:15 am–10:00 am

Plenary Sessions*

10:00 am–10:30 am

Exhibits

10:30 am–11:45 am

Oral Presentations*

Noon–1:00 pm

Meet-the-Professor Sessions

1:15 pm–2:15 pm

Debates

2:15 pm–3:30 pm

Oral Presentations*

3:30 pm–4:00 pm

Exhibits

4:00 pm–5:45 pm

Symposia*

*Topics for these sessions
include obstetrics, abdomen,
gynecology and first-trimester,
musculoskeletal, vascular,
emergency, urology, bioeffects/
physics/instrumentation.

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2003

7:00 am–8:00 am

Meet-the-Professor Sessions

8:15 am–10:00 am

Plenary Sessions—Topics
include obstetrics, abdomen,
gynecology and first-trimester,
innovations, vascular, sonog-
raphy, interventional, bio-
effects/physics/instrumenta-
tion.

10:00 am–10:30 am

Exhibits

10:30 am–11:45 am

Oral Presentations—Topics
include obstetrics, abdomen,
gynecology and first-trimester,
new investigator, vascular,
sonography, interventional,
and bioeffects/physics/
instrumentation.

Noon–1:00 pm

Meet-the-Professor Sessions

1:15 pm–2:15 pm

Film Panels

2:15 pm–3:30 pm

Oral Presentations—Topics
include small parts, vascular,
sonography, interventional,
bioeffects/physics/instru-
mentation, obstetrics, abdo-
men, and gynecology and
first-trimester.

3:30 pm–4:00 pm

Exhibits

4:00 pm–5:45 pm

Symposia—Topics include
obstetrics, abdomen, gynecol-
ogy and first-trimester,
neuro/pediatrics, vascular,
sonography, interventional,
and bioeffects/physics/instru-
mentation.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2004

7:00 am–8:00 am

Meet-the-Professor Sessions

8:15 am–10:00 am

Plenary Sessions—Topics
include ophthalmology, cardi-
ology, telemedicine, obstetrics,
abdomen, gynecology and
first-trimester, breast, and
pediatrics.

10:00 am–10:30 am

Exhibits

10:30 am–11:45 am

Oral Presentations—Topics
include obstetrics, abdomen,
gynecology and first-trimester,
breast, pediatrics, ophthal-
mology, cardiology, and
telemedicine.

Noon–1:00 pm

Meet-the-Professor Sessions

1:15 pm–2:15 pm

Debates

2:15 pm–3:30 pm

Oral Presentations—Topics
include small parts, obstetrics,
abdomen, gynecology and
first-trimester, breast, pedi-
iatrics, ophthalmology, and
cardiology.

3:30 pm–4:00 pm

Exhibits

4:00 pm–5:45 pm

Symposia—Topics include
obstetrics, abdomen,
gynecology and first-trimester,
breast, pediatrics, ophthal-
mology, cardiology, and
small parts.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FOR THE WFUMB/AIUM 2003 CONGRESS

Submit a scientific paper, scientific exhibit, or case report for the WFUMB/AIUM 2003 Congress by visiting the AIUM website at <www.aium.org> and selecting "Online Abstract Submission." You will then be given step-by-step instructions.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ABSTRACT IS NOVEMBER 5, 2002.

**People whose abstracts are accepted will receive
\$100 off the 4-day registration fee.*



Accreditation Workshop Comes to Chicago

An AIUM "Getting Started" ultrasound practice accreditation workshop will be held Saturday, November 9, from 9:00 am–Noon at the Drake Hotel in Chicago, Illinois.

If you are considering applying for AIUM Ultrasound Practice Accreditation or are currently in the process of completing an application for accreditation, then this workshop is for you.

By the end of the workshop, you should

- ◆ Recognize the importance of ultrasound practice accreditation as it affects patients, referring physicians, and third-party payers;
- ◆ Understand the AIUM standards for the performance of ultrasound examinations;

AIUM Ultrasound Practice Accreditation Update

Ultrasound Practice Accreditation is a voluntary peer review process offered by the AIUM. Through this process, ultrasound practices have an opportunity to assess their strengths and weaknesses and initiate changes to improve their practices.

The AIUM's goal is to promote high-quality patient care by providing a program that both encourages and supports nationally accepted standards of diagnostic ultrasound.

Congratulations to the following practices that have recently received AIUM accreditation:

Central Connecticut OB & Gyn Women's Health Center
Bristol, Connecticut

Etowah Valley Obstetrics and Gynecology
Cartersville, Georgia

Loma Linda University Health Care Loma Linda, California OB/GYN Consultants
Stamford, Connecticut

Regional Perinatal Center
Pensacola, Florida

And, congratulations to the following practices that have recently been reaccredited*:

Georgetown OB/GYN
Georgetown, Kentucky

OB/GYN Associates of Erie
Erie, Pennsylvania

Sacramento Maternal Fetal Medicine
Sacramento, California

Women's Health Care of Milford, PC
Milford, Connecticut

Women's Health Partnership
Indianapolis, Indiana

*Accreditation is granted for a 3-year period, after which time a practice must be reevaluated to receive reaccreditation.

By achieving AIUM Ultrasound Practice Accreditation, the above-named practices have demonstrated a commitment to providing high-quality diagnostic ultrasound services.

For more information or a free brochure about the AIUM accreditation program, visit <www.aium.org> or call the Accreditation Department at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352.

- ◆ Be familiar with all sections of the accreditation application;
- ◆ Understand the criteria for case study submissions; and
- ◆ Be prepared to complete the AIUM ultrasound practice accreditation application.

The AIUM's Director of Accreditation Paula Woletz, RDMS, RDCS, MPH, will be presenting the course. She will thoroughly explain all aspects of ultrasound practice accreditation, and you will have the chance to ask specific questions.

Participants of the workshop earn up to 3 AMA/PRA category 1 continuing medical education credits. The cost to attend is \$30. Call Brenda Kinney at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352 or e-mail <bkkinney@aium.org> to register.

Calendar of AIUM Events

REGIONAL COURSES

October 5–6, 2002
Vascular Sonography: Optimize Your Skills
Chicago, IL, USA
Earn up to 13.5 CMEs



November 9, 2002
AIUM Ultrasound Practice Accreditation "Getting Started" Workshop
Drake Hotel
Chicago, IL, USA
Earn up to 3 CMEs

February 15–16, 2003
Current Trends in Ob/GYN
"W" New Orleans Hotel
New Orleans, LA, USA
Earn up to 12.5 CMEs



ANNUAL CONVENTIONS

June 1–4, 2003
AIUM hosts the 10th Congress of the World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (WFUMB)
Montréal Convention Centre
(Palais des Congrès de Montréal)
Montréal, Québec, Canada

June 20–23, 2004
2004 AIUM Annual Convention
Desert Ridge Resort
Phoenix, AZ USA



June 19–21, 2005
2005 AIUM Annual Convention
Walt Disney World
Swan and Dolphin Hotel
Orlando, FL, USA

For more information or to register for any of the AIUM's regional courses or annual conventions, contact Brenda Kinney, professional development coordinator, at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352, or e-mail <bkkinney@aium.org>.



Member Services

Members Earn CME Credits and Save Big on AIUM Videotapes/CD-ROMs

Need extra credits by the end of the year? An easy way to get those credits is by watching an AIUM videotape or CD-ROM that offers anywhere from 0.5 to 14 AMA/ PRA category 1 continuing medical education (CME) credits. All AIUM CME credits are also accepted by the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS). Videotapes and CD-ROMs are an excellent option for people who are unable to attend courses in person and are also an economic alternative to traveling and taking time off of work.

Are there other people in your place of work that also need CME credits? With AIUM videotapes and CD-ROMs you can split the cost of the program and up to 5 people can view the program and receive credit at no additional charge!

Recent programs include:

Ultrasound of the Fetus

5.5 CME credits
Member price: \$375 Nonmember Price: \$750

2001 Vascular Ultrasound Update: Meet-the-Professors

3 CME credits
Member price: \$160 Nonmember Price: \$320

3D Ultrasonography in Obstetrics and Gynecology

2 CME credits
Member price: \$95 Nonmember price: \$190

Fetal Echo Update

8.5 CME credits
Member price: \$595 Nonmember Price: \$1000

Coming Soon on Video....

- ◆ Current Trends in Breast Ultrasound
- ◆ AIUM Ultrasound Practice Accreditation "Getting Started" Workshop

(Both courses taped live in New York, NY, in August 2002).

Visit the AIUM website for more information on available videotapes, CD-ROMs, and publications at <www.aium.org> or call LuAnn Coelho, fulfillment coordinator, at 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352.

Prices above DO NOT include applicable shipping and handling fees.

Rapid Review: Submitting a Manuscript

Many of you have already used Rapid Review to submit a paper for publication consideration to the *Journal of Ultrasound in Medicine*, others of you have at least created your own Rapid Review account (see *Sound Waves*, May 2002) but haven't yet tried to submit your paper. It's easy; here is all you have to do.

Choose "Manuscript Submission" under "*Journal of Ultrasound in Medicine*" on the AIUM website (www.aium.org) and enter your user name and password.

Click the "submit new manuscript" button, choose "*Journal of Ultrasound in Medicine*" and press "go." A form will appear asking for information about your paper (e.g., title of the paper, authors and their affiliation, any reviewers you recommend should or should not review your paper, how many figures and tables you have, the abstract, keywords, any acknowledgments, etc.). You will then click on the "copyright form"

to download a PDF that you must sign and return by fax or mail to the journal office.

You may then choose "attach files," or, if you want to submit the old-fashioned way, choose "submit manuscript by mail." When you choose "attach files," a new screen appears where you can obtain information on what type of file and graphic formats are supported. You will then attach your files by simply clicking on the "browse" button, locating the files you want to attach, and clicking "open."

If you attach more than one file, you need to then indicate the order in which the files should be assembled. Then simply click "submit manuscript online" and you are finished!

If you get interrupted while working, you can choose the "abandon" submission button at any time.



New Members

Please join us in welcoming the following new members. If you are a new member and your degree or credential is missing or incorrect, please contact the AIUM membership staff. The quickest way is by e-mail: <membership@aium.org>, but you may also call 301-498-4100 or 800-638-5352, fax to 301-498-4450, or mail to the AIUM office.

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